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2018 Preservation Conference: Call for Session Proposals

We are now accepting proposals for education sessions at the 2018 Historic Preservation Conference, to be held April 20, 2018 at the SC Archives and History Center in Columbia. Education sessions cover a variety of topics, and range in difficulty from "Preservation 101" to advanced discussions of cutting-edge issues. For more details, please see http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Documents/CallforProposals2018.pdf. Proposals are due January 12, 2018. Questions? Contact Elizabeth Johnson at ejohnson@scdah.sc.gov, 803-896-6168.

Apply for a FY 2018 Historic Preservation Fund Grant

Applications and instructions for the FY 2018 Historic Preservation Grants are available at http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/Pages/Grants.aspx. Administered by the SHPO, these matching grants can assist two types of projects:

- Survey and Planning Projects—eligible projects include surveys of historic properties, National Register nominations, preservation education, and preservation planning
- Stabilization Projects
 —eligible projects include stabilizing historic buildings or
 protecting historic buildings from the adverse effects of the weather. Stabilization
 Projects are limited to projects in the 35 <u>Certified Local Government (CLG)</u>
 <u>communities</u>.

Any local government, non-profit, or institution in South Carolina may apply for a Survey and Planning Project. Local governments, non-profits and institutions located in a CLG community may also apply for a Stabilization Project. At least ten percent of the state's annual allocation from the National Park Service must be awarded to CLGs. While the exact amount of funding will not be known until Congress completes the 2018 budget, as funding is available after the required CLG minimum is met, then non-CLG projects may also be selected for funding. Grant awards generally range from \$1,500 to \$25,000. Applications will be accepted until 5:00 PM, February 2, 2018. Please contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, or bsauls@scdah.sc.gov to discuss your project before you apply.

FY 2017 Historic Preservation Fund Grants Awarded

Eight projects were approved by the SC Archives and History Commission to receive FY 2017 Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) sub grants. The grants are funded from the federal HPF allocation administered by the SHPO and will be matched dollar-for-dollar by local funds.

- Beaufort Arsenal Stabilization, Beaufort
- Calhoun County Courthouse Roof Repair Planning, St. Matthews
- 259 Meeting Street Roof Replacement (Charleston Area Senior Citizens Services), Charleston
- Chester City Hall Preservation Planning, Chester
- Cheraw Historic District Survey, Cheraw
- Black Schools Survey of South Carolina, Phase II
- Columbia District One Historic Resources Survey, Columbia
- Seibels House Structural Repair Planning, Columbia

For more information about applying for a HPF grant visit http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/Pages/Grants.aspx.

State Review Board Meeting: November 17, 2017

The State Board of Review for the National Register of Historic Places will meet on Friday, November 17, 2017 at 10:30 am at the SC Archives & History Center in Columbia. The Board will consider four nominations:

- Pendleton Cotton Mill, Pendleton, Anderson County
- W. Gresham Meggett High and Elementary School, Charleston vicinity, Charleston County
- Judson Mill, Greenville vicinity, Greenville County
- Spring Park Inn, Travelers Rest, Greenville County

The public is welcome to attend the meeting. For more information about the State Board of Review, see http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/natreg/Pages/Board.aspx or contact Ehren Foley at efoley@scdah.sc.gov, 803-896-6182 or Virginia Harness at vharness@scdah.sc.gov, 803-896-6179.

3 New Listings in the National Register of Historic Places

The St. Luke's Parish Zion Chapel of Ease Cemetery, located at the corner of Mathews Drive and William Hilton Parkway on Hilton Head Island was listed in the National Register October 5, 2017. The Zion Chapel of Ease Cemetery is significant at the local level under Criterion C for its distinctive funerary art from the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries. Criterion D (Archeology) applies because of the site's potential to yield significant information about the Hilton Head planter elite through the study of their mortuary practices, and for the potential to locate and study the remains of St. Luke's Parish Zion Chapel of Ease, which was destroyed in the 1860s. The Zion Chapel of Ease Cemetery is an extremely rare piece of physical above-ground evidence of the colonial and antebellum history of the island. Indeed, the Baynard Mausoleum located within the cemetery, and constructed in 1846, is believed to be the oldest intact structure on Hilton Head Island. The cemetery contains thirty-four markers, including the Baynard Mausoleum, and two cast-iron fences. Many of the markers are marble tympanum headstones with a willow and urn design and some of these gravesites also include a footstone. Five of the gravestones within the cemetery are marked by the carver's name or initials. Three of these stones were carved by members of the White and Walker families, who were prevalent stone carvers in Charleston from the 1790s to the 1870s.

The **Gifford Rosenwald School**, located in Gifford in Hampton County, was listed in the National Register October 4, 2017. Originally constructed in 1920, the design did not conform to the stock building plans for two-teacher schools that were available through the Rosenwald Foundation, but the floorplan is quite similar to the two-teacher "Model No. 4" school detailed in the U.S. Bureau of Education's 1914 publication entitled *Rural Schoolhouses and Grounds*. Gifford Rosenwald is significant under Criterion A for its association with the history of African American education in Hampton County from 1920 to 1958. It stands both as a reminder to the history of racial segregation in South Carolina's public schools as well as the creative adaptation and resistance to this segregated public school system by African American citizens. Black South Carolinians worked to secure educational facilities for their children using the resources available to them. Facilities like the Gifford Rosenwald School offer tangible representation of these efforts to resist a separate and unequal school system, where African American children received less funding and were given fewer resources than whites.

The Pelzer Manufacturing Company and Mill Village Historic District, located in the Town of Pelzer in Anderson County, was listed in the National Register October 10, 2017. The historic district constitutes the heart of the original Pelzer Mill Village, which was developed along with Pelzer Mill Number One beginning in 1881. The Pelzer

Manufacturing Company Historic District served as a supporting village to Pelzer Manufacturing Company Mills Numbers One, Two, Three, and Four. The district contains an array of mill worker housing, as well as larger residential homes, which were used as supervisor housing. It also includes institutional and commercial buildings, many of which were originally built and owned by the mill company. The district is listed at the local level of significance under Criteria A (Industry) and C (Architecture). Although many of the buildings are architecturally modest, the district as a whole represents a significant and distinguishable entity as a rural mill village. The period of significance is 1881, when the Pelzer Manufacturing Company was formed, to 1954 when the Gerber Childrenswear Company (formerly the Kendall Company) sold the houses and property to private individuals and institutions.

Historic Property Seminars Coming to SC in December

The National Preservation Institute has scheduled two seminars on historic property management and maintenance that will be held at the SC Archives & History Center in Columbia in early December. For more information about the agendas, presenter(s) and registration click on each seminar title. Early registration discounts are available.

- HSRs and Maintenance Plans: Tools for Preservation, December 5
- Historic Property Management, December 6-8

Tax Credit Project Spotlight

This month's spotlight is a 1-story Bungalow (built ca. 1920), located within Spartanburg's Converse Heights Historic District (see photograph). Development began on the Converse Heights neighborhood in 1906, located in close proximity to the booming downtown business district. Spartanburg's local professionals and business elite were attracted to Converse Heights by the easy commute to downtown via streetcar and neighborhood restrictions that required homebuilders to spend a minimum of \$15,000 on the construction of their homes. Development was continuous from 1906 through the 1950's creating a neighborhood that features a wide variety of twentieth century architectural styles including Queen Anne, American Foursquare, Craftsman, Tudor, and Spanish Mission. This single-family residence is an excellent example of a front gable Bungalow and features wood shingle siding, four-over-one double hung sash windows, tapered columns on brick piers, and decorative roof brackets. The current owner recently completed a rehabilitation project that included exterior painting, energy efficiency upgrades, mechanical upgrades, and refinishing of the hardwood floors. The rehabilitation of this 20th-century Bungalow home was completed in 2016 with the use of the state homeowner historic rehabilitation tax credits. For more information about this program visit http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/tax/Pages/Homeowner.aspx.



New Online Preservation Networking Forum

The National Trust for Historic Preservation recently launched <u>Forum Connect</u>, a new online community for people working to save places. Forum Connect is FREE for anyone—preservationists or allied professionals, Forum Members or non members. It is a space for to network with others via an online profile and develop professionally through a discussion forum and shared resources. See <u>forum.savingplaces.org/forum-connect</u>.

New Preservation Brief

The National Park Service has just released Preservation Brief 50, *Lightning Protection for Historic Structures*. The publication includes information on the care, maintenance, and repair of historic and older lightning protection systems; discusses factors to consider in assessing the need for a lightning protection system where none exists; and includes historic preservation guidance on the design and installation of new systems. For more information and to download a pdf copy visit, https://www.nps.gov/tps/how-to-preserve/briefs/50-lightning-protection.htm.

Conferences / Workshops / Events

Archaeology Month, October 1–31, 2017. This year's theme is "Archaeology in State Parks". Dozens of organizations will offer programs around the state this fall and into next year. Visit this website for the calendar of events and digital copies of the Archaeology Month poster. Free copies of the poster are available at the SC Archives &

History Center, 8301 Parklane Road, and at SCIAA, 1321 Pendleton Street, both in Columbia.

20th **Annual South Carolina Civil War Symposium**, November 3-4, 2017, Columbia. For more information visit this <u>webpage</u>.

Southeastern Archaeological Conference, November 8-11, Tulsa, OK. More information is available at https://www.southeasternarchaeology.org/annual-meeting/details/.

2017 PastForward Conference, November 14-17, 2017, Chicago, IL. Registration is now open at https://pastforwardconference.org/pastforward2017/.

State Review Board for the National Register of Historic Places, November 17, 2017, Columbia. See http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/natreg/Pages/Board.aspx for more information about the Board.

National Preservation Institute Seminars

- HSRs and Maintenance Plans: Tools for Preservation, December 5, Columbia
- Historic Property Management, December 6-8, Columbia

NEW CAMP (Commission Assistance and Mentoring Program), January 26, 2018, Columbia. CAMP is the premier training program from the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions (NAPC) for local historic district commissions and boards of architectural review. CAMP provides high-quality, engaging and informative training through presentations, hands-on exercises, group discussions and networking opportunities. Trainers include commissioners, local, state and national staff members, attorneys and commission partners. More details about the event and registration will be available soon online at http://shpo.sc.gov or by contacting Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, bsauls@scdah.sc.gov.

NEW Main Street Now Conference, March 26-28, 2018, Kansas City, MO. Sponsored by the Main Street America program of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the conference offers attendees the opportunity to learn how to implement the four point Main Street Approach for community and downtown revitalization. **Conference registration and hotel room blocks open November 1.** For more information visit https://www.mainstreet.org/mainstreetamerica/howwecanhelp/educationandtraining/mainstreetnow.

NEW "Are We There Yet?" Preservation of Roadside Architecture and Attractions Symposium, April 10-12, 2018, Tulsa, OK. The National Center for Preservation Technology and Training (NCPTT) will host a symposium on the preservation of roadside architecture and attractions that are uniquely American. The symposium will focus on the preservation of these buildings and features that catered to tourists who traveled American roads during the 1920s-1970s. **Proposals for presentations and posters are currently being accepted.** For more information visit

https://www.ncptt.nps.gov/events/are-we-there-yet/ or Contact Debbie Smith at NCPTT, (318) 356-7444 ext. 259, Debbie Smith@nps.gov.

National Council on Public History, April 18-21, 2018, Las Vegas, NV. More information is available at http://ncph.org/conference/2018-annual-meeting-2/.

2018 SC Historic Preservation Conference, April 20, 2018, SC Archives & History Center, Columbia. The call for session proposals is now open http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/presconf.aspx. Comments and suggestions can be sent to Grace Salter at gsalter@scdah.sc.gov or Elizabeth Johnson at ejohnson@scdah.sc.gov.

Vernacular Architecture Forum 2018 Annual Meeting, May 2-5, 2018, Alexandria, Virginia. The theme of the meeting is "A Shared Heritage: Urban and Rural Experience on the Banks of the Potomac." For general information about the conference, please visit the conference website at http://www.vernaculararchitectureforum.org/event-2580611 or contact Thomas Reinhart at VAFPotomac@vafweb.org. The call for paper proposals, with information about how to submit a proposal, is available <a href="here. The deadline is October 30, 2017.

National Preservation Institute Seminars, May 2018, Columbia. Advance registration discounts are available for those registering at least six weeks prior to the seminar. Student discounts are also available.

- Section 106: A Review for Experienced Practitioners
- Renewable Energy Development: Impacts on Cultural Resources

Society for Industrial Archaeology's 47th Annual Conference, May 30-June 3, 2018, Richmond, VA. For more information visit http://www.sia-web.org/sia-47th-annual-conference/.

FORUM 2018, July 18-22, 2018, Des Moines, IA. The only national conference focused on the issues facing local historic preservation boards and commissions, FORUM 2018 will include dozens of educational sessions and discussion panels, mobile workshops and tours, and five days of non-stop networking for commission staff and volunteers representing local, state and national organizations and government agencies. Go to https://napcommissions.org/forum/ for more information.

NEW Urban History Association Conference, "Cities at the Crossroads", October 18-21, 2018, Columbia. Session proposals are due February 15, 2018. For more information visit www.urbanhistory.org/Columbia2018.

Grant Application Deadlines

NEW January 17, 2018 SC Humanities Major Grants. Major Grants are for public humanities programs that are large in scale. Major Grants are accepted twice a year.

Awards are in sums between \$2,000 and \$8,000. For more information, including lists of previous grant awards, go to http://schumanities.org/grants/howtoapply/.

NEW February 1, 2018 National Trust Preservation Funds. These grants encourage preservation at the local level by providing seed money for preservation projects. Grants generally start at \$2,500 and range up to \$5,000. The selection process is very competitive. Members of the National Trust at the Forum or Main Street levels are eligible to apply for funding from the National Trust Preservation Fund. To learn more about the grant program and how to apply go to http://forum.savingplaces.org/build/find-funding/grant-seekers/preservation-funds.

NEW February 2, 2018 FY 2018 Historic Preservation Fund Grants. Applications and instructions for the FY 2018 Historic Preservation Grants are available at http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/Pages/Grants.aspx. Administered by the SHPO, these matching grants can assist two types of projects: Survey and Planning and Stabilization. Any local government, non-profit, or institution in South Carolina may apply for a Survey and Planning Project. Local governments, non-profits and institutions located in a CLG community may also apply for a Stabilization Project. At least ten percent of the state's annual allocation from the National Park Service must be awarded to CLGs. Grant awards generally range from \$1,500 to \$25,000. For more information contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, or bsauls@scdah.sc.gov.

Online sources of grant information:

Check out these funding tips from the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

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